

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: April 16, 2003

Division: District 1

Bulk Item: Yes ☐ No ☐

Department: Mayor Dixie M. Spehar

**AGENDA ITEM WORDING:**

Proclamation to declare April of 2003 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

**ITEM BACKGROUND:**

Sexual assault affects every child and adult in Monroe County as a victim/survivor or as a family member, significant other, neighbor or co-worker of a victim/survivor.

**PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:**

**CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**TOTAL COST:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BUDGETED:** Yes ☐ No ☐

**COST TO COUNTY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**REVENUE PRODUCING:** Yes ☐ No ☐ **AMOUNT PER MONTH** \_\_\_\_\_ **Year** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED BY:** County Atty ☐ OMB/Purchasing ☐ Risk Management ☐

**DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:**

Dixie M Spehar  
Mayor Dixie M. Spehar

**DOCUMENTATION:** Included ☐ To Follow ☐ Not Required ☐

**DISPOSITION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AGENDA ITEM #** B9



# Mayor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, sexual assault continues to be a major social crisis in our society;  
and

**WHEREAS**, sexual assault affects every child and adult in Monroe County as a victim/survivor or as a family member, significant other, neighbor or co-worker of a victim/survivor; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteer and service providers in our community are working to provide a continuum of care to sexual assault victims/survivors through 24-hour hotlines, counseling, support groups, advocacy, medical care and education; and

**WHEREAS**, the Domestic Abuse Shelter, Inc. seeks to improve services for victims/survivors of sexual assault and prevent future sexual assault through public awareness and services for victims/survivors; and

**WHEREAS**, this community recognizes the vital importance of designating a time devoted to increase the general public's awareness and support of agencies providing services to rape victims; and

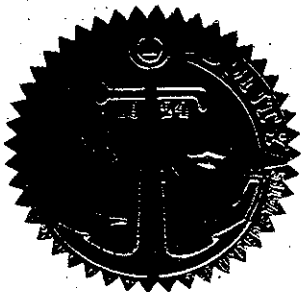
**WHEREAS**, we hold forth a vision of a community free from sexual violence,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by the power vested in me as Mayor of Monroe County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim April 2003 as

## SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

And urge all citizens to recognize those in our County, who have suffered sexual violence, and to further recognize the efforts of all those in our community, who are actively involved in protecting the lives of Key's citizens.

**WITNESS** my hand and seal of the County of Monroe, Florida, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2003.



  
Mayor Dixie M. Spehar